

rec'd PCT/PTO 13 JUN 2005

10 / 528732

510.1144

#3

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application of: Manfred STUTE, et al.
Serial No.: To Be Assigned
Filed: Herewith as national phase of International Patent
Application PCT/DE2003/004042, filed December 9, 2003
For: **DEVICE FOR SUPPLYING AIR TO FUEL CELLS**

Mail Stop: PCT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

June 13, 2005

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, Applicant hereby makes of record the documents listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 Form (1 page) for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. While the references are being submitted herewith, some or all of the references may not constitute prior art under the U.S. patent laws.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (b), before the mailing date of a First Office Action. Therefore, no fee is believed due.


In the event any additional fee is due in connection with this response or if any fee has been overpaid, the deficiency or overpayment should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

It is respectfully requested that the references cited in the accompanying PTO-1449 form be considered and made of record. It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are patentable over all of the references made of record at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVIDSON, DAVIDSON & KAPPEL, LLC

By


Robert J. Paradiso, Reg. No. 41,240
(signing for Thomas P. Canty, Reg. No. 44,586)

DAVIDSON, DAVIDSON & KAPPEL, LLC
485 Seventh Avenue, 14th Floor
New York, New York 10018
(212) 736-1940

FORM PTO-1449
(REV. 7-80)U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEATTY DOCKET
510.1144APPLICATION NO
To be assigned

LIST OF PRIOR ART CITED BY APPLICANT

(Use several sheets if necessary)

APPLICANT

Manfred STUTE, et al.

FILING DATE

Herewith

GROUP

To be assigned

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB- CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	A01	US 5,645,950	Jul. 8, 1997	Benz et al.	429	13	
	A02	US 6,506,512	Jan. 14, 2003	Mori et al.	429	34	
	A03	US 6,190,791	Feb. 20, 2001	Hornburg et al.	429	17	
	A04	US 2004/037,727	Feb. 5, 2004	Garczorz et al.	417	366	
	A05	US 2004/022,646	Feb. 26, 2004	Garczorz et al.	418	85	
	A06						
	A07						

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB- CLASS	TRANSLATION	
							YES	NO
	A08	DE 20 62 007	Jul. 6, 1972	DE – Germany			Search Report PCT/DE2003/004042	
	A09	DE 100 40 977	Apr. 5, 2001	DE – Germany			See US 6,506,512	
	A10	DE 199 49 730	May 31, 2000	DE – Germany			English abstract	
	A11	DE 197 09 202	Sep. 17, 1998	DE – Germany			English abstract	
	A12	DE 197 55 116 C1	Mar. 4, 1999	DE – Germany			See specification; See US 6,190,791	
	A13	WO 00/57062	Sep. 28, 2000	WO – WIPO			See specification	
	A14	WO 02/23046	Mar. 21, 2002	WO – WIPO			See US 2004/037,727	
	A15	WO 02/10593	Feb. 7, 2002	WO – WIPO			See US 2004/022,646	
	A16							

OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	A17	Search Report of PCT/DE2003/004042
	A18	
	A19	
	A20	

EXAMINER

DATE CONSIDERED

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.